

Agency 60 - Nebraska Ethanol Board

Statutory Authority:

Enabling language for the Nebraska Ethanol Board, its organizational structure and objectives are contained in the Revised Statutes of Nebraska, Chapter 66, Sections 1335-1348. Broadly stated, the NEB is committed to cooperation with private industry to encourage production, sale and use of agriculturally produced ethyl alcohol and its byproducts. Specifically, the NEB is directed to help establish ethanol production in the state; to promote and develop markets for ethanol and its byproducts; and to sponsor research that will advance industrial uses for ethanol.

Vision Statement:

The Agency's legislative mandate is to assist the private sector with the development of ethanol production facilities and to initiate and support all efforts to ensure the viability of the industry in Nebraska.

Mission Statement:

Since 1971, public policy enacted by the Legislature has encouraged development of an ethanol industry in Nebraska. A combination of targeted financial incentives, opportune federal legislation, aggressive marketing and creative financing resulted in construction of seven ethanol plants during the early and mid-1990's. The Ethanol Board played a key role in that success. Consistent with the agency mission statement, agency representatives worked directly with private sector interests to increase awareness of Nebraska advantages for ethanol production.

Goals:

During the next biennium, the Agency will focus on three primary goals: working with ethanol producers to maintain an environment conducive to growth, establishing new markets for ethanol and its co-products and supporting development of new ethanol processes and products. These objectives are designed to support growing public and private investment in Nebraska's ethanol industry.

Financial Data:

	Actual FY00	Approp FY01	Request FY02	Recom FY02	Request FY03	Recom FY03
General Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cash Fund	535,733	599,338	613,788	620,104	617,153	635,057
Federal Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Revolving Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Agency	535,733	599,338	613,788	620,104	617,153	635,057

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Program Objectives:

The objectives of the Board are to work with ethanol producers to maintain an environment conducive to growth, establishing new markets for ethanol and its' co-products and supporting development of new processes and products relative to ethanol production. These objectives support the significant public and private investment in Nebraska ethanol plants.

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Performance Measures:

Like other boards and commissions with advocacy missions, quantifying the effectiveness of specific programs is often difficult. The NEB, does, however, gather useful and meaningful measurements of its' various activities. The long-term plan will guide future activities and efforts will be made to assess effectiveness with available tools. These tools differ, of course, from one activity to another and are listed below.